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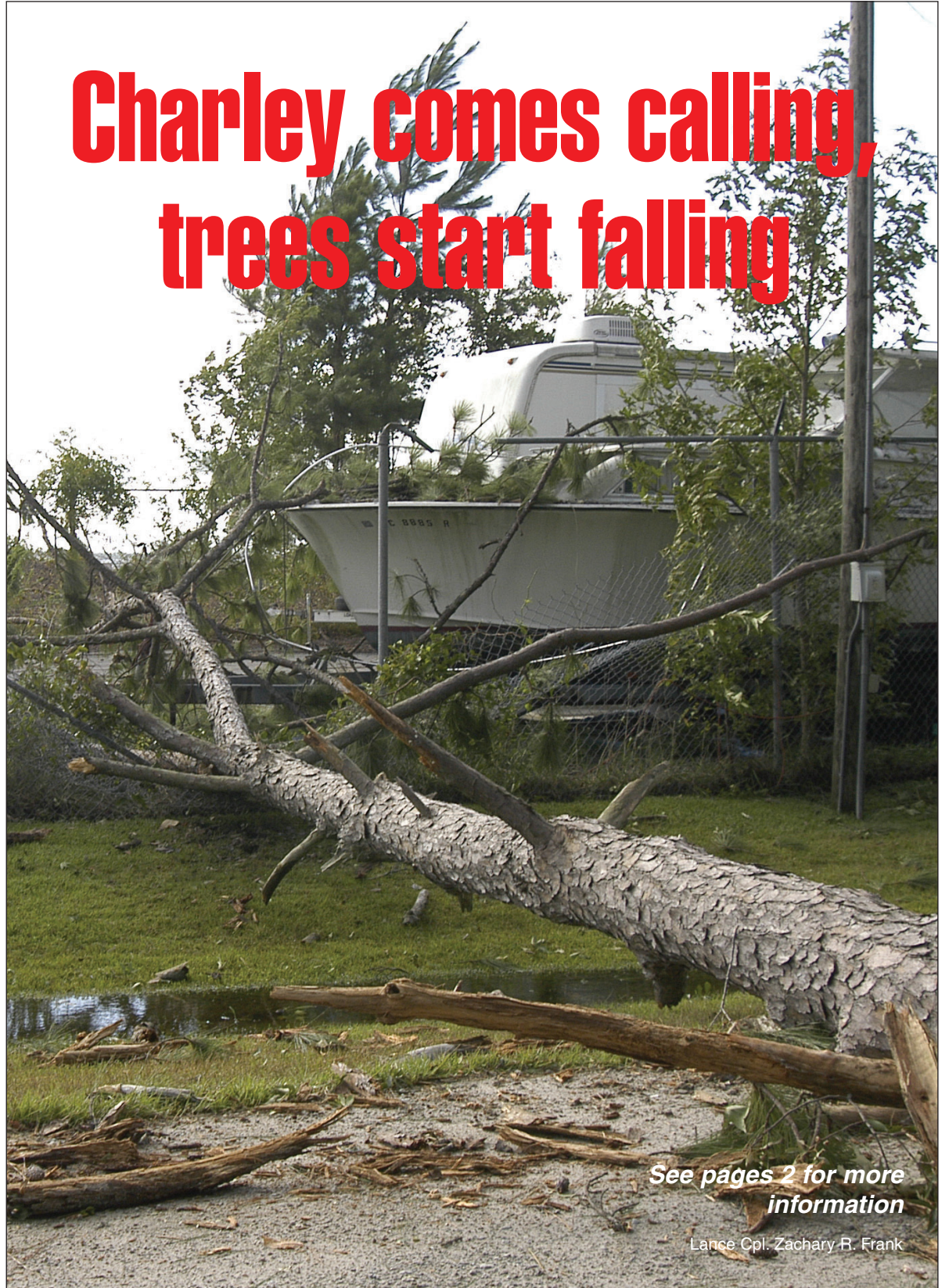
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Lance Cpl. Zachary B. Frank

FLIGHTLINES

Ride for the Red Cross

The American Red Cross is hosting the "Ride for the Red," beginning at 10 a.m. on Aug. 21.

The location is at the Harley Davidson dealership at 2394 Highway 17S, covering approximately 110 miles and ending at Logan's Roadhouse at 1177 Western Boulevard, Jacksonville, N.C.

Pre-registration is \$12 at the American Red Cross at 12 Ruth Street in Jacksonville. Call 347-3581 for more information.

Registration is the day of the ride and is \$15. The race begins at 8:30 a.m.

Seminar Programs

The local satellite campus of the Marine Corps College of Continuing Education is conducting a seminar program beginning in October to support students enrolled in either the Amphibious Warfare School (Expeditionary Warfare School) Phases I and II or the Command and Staff College distance education programs.

Seminars are being held at both Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune and New River.

The attendees meet one night per week for two to three hours, and seminars vary in length from 29 to 35 weeks depending on the program an individual enrolled in.

For further information or to sign up for the seminar program, contact the regional coordinator at 451-9309 or WheelerJR@lejeune.usmc.mil.

Women Marines

The 23rd Biennial Convention of the Women Marines Association is being held Sept. 4 - 8, in San Diego.

According to MARAD-MIN 248/04, the conference will feature Headquarters Marine Corps presentations that focus on career paths and development for active duty officer and enlisted Marines.

Registration for the convention can be downloaded from the WMA Web site at <http://www.womenmarines.org>.

Hotel room reservations can be made by calling (619) 239-2200.

Girl Scout Recruitment

Girl Scout registration is in full swing.

For information on how to register, please contact Tonia Massey of Onslow County at 545-6504 or e-mail toniamassey@yahoo.com; Karen McRoy of Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune and MCAS New River at 346-1344; or e-mail the Girl Scouts at girlscouts4you@yahoo.com.

No girls should be left behind!

Camp Lejeune Archers

Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune is hosting Archery Skills Testing for anyone interested in hunting within designated Archery Only Deer Management Units.

Qualification standards and dates will be posted at the Camp Lejeune Archery Range and the Conservation Law Enforcement Office, building PT-3.

Additional qualification opportunities will be available at MCAS New River, Conservation Law Enforcement Office on Robert Wilson Boulevard.

For more information, contact Carmen A. Lombardo, wildlife biologist at the Environmental Conservation Branch, at 451-7226.

Outlook Users Beware

Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune has been targeted by a number of SPAM servers that are sending child pornography, bank scams and a host of other unsolicited e-mail traffic.

The Electronic Data Systems Corporation/Navy and Marine Corps' Information Technology infrastructure are working to provide a SPAM filtering solution as quickly as possible.

If personnel receive any unsolicited or inappropriate electronic mail, do not go to the Web site; delete the mail message. Once the filters are in place, NMCI will request that user forward them to a mailbox so the staff can add them to the filters.

Also, NMCI has requested its users logoff their systems so they can run antiviral patches and security patches after hours instead of during the work day.

For any further information, please contact the Customer Support Center at 451-1019.

Fallen Friends 5K Road Race

The 5K Road Race and One Mile Fun Run/Walk are dedicated to the Osprey Pioneers who have tragically lost their lives bringing a new generation of aircraft, the MV-22 Osprey into service.

Participants will run Sept. 11 to remember and honor our "Fallen Friends."

The proceeds from this race support the Fallen Friends Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Registration and packet can be picked up from 7 - 8:30 a.m. The Fun Run/Walk will start at 8:45 a.m. and the 5K Race starts 9 a.m.

For more information, call 743-3293 or e-mail Dx2Ryan@aol.com

Young Eagles

The Young Eagles Program, developed by the Experimental Aircraft Association, initiates young people, ages eight to 17, into the world of aviation. Young Eagles fly in airplanes and learn about many aspects of flying.

For a chance to join and fly with the Young Eagles, be at the Albert J. Ellis Airport Sept. 15 from 3 - 6 p.m.

Scuba Diving

Diving is now open at Gottschalk Marina Landing, building 728, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C. They offer scuba diving lessons, diving gear, diving charts, nitrox and nautical gifts. Open seven days a week.

For more information, call 451-3790.

RotoVue Comments

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On the cover

A fallen tree rests near a fence after Hurricane Charley blew through New River on Aug. 14. It felled trees at the marina and Staff Noncommissioned Officer Housing.

Despite Charley's devastation across the Southeastern seaboard, there was no major damage or casualties here.



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Sgt. Andrew W. Miller

The Honorable Gordon R. England, Secretary of the Navy (center); Maj. Gen. Thomas L. Moore, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing commanding officer (right); and an unnamed Naval Criminal Intelligence Service agent, exit an Osprey after their flight Aug. 11. England was here for a brief visit and flew for the first time in the Osprey.

Secretary of the Navy takes first flight in Station Osprey

Sgt. Juan Vara
correspondent

The Honorable Gordon R. England, Secretary of the Navy, visited New River on Aug. 11 and soared the North Carolina skies in an Osprey.

England and his official party arrived at Marine Tiltrotor Test and Evaluation Squadron-22 here for an orientation flight in the Osprey after visiting Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Major Gen. Thomas L. Moore, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing commanding general, and Col. Glenn M. Walters, VMX-22 commanding officer, welcomed the dignitaries with a safety brief, the presentation of a flight suit, a squadron patch and a flight badge, prior to boarding the aircraft.

The flight lasted approximately 35 minutes, and England had an opportunity to experience some of the Osprey's capabilities, such as vertical and short take-off and landing (V/STOL) and increased speed not found in any helicopter.

"Marvelous," said England after the flight. "It's terrific, a tremendous capability for our country."

After briefly entertaining a few members of the local media, England and his official party departed New River to continue his visit.

The leader of the Navy-Marine Corps team's itinerary included a visit with Marines and Sailors of the 8th Marine Regiment at Camp Lejeune; the presentation of a Navy Cross (the second highest medal that can be awarded by the U.S. Navy) to Navy Seaman Luis E. Fonseca, a corpsman assigned to the Camp Lejeune's Naval Hospital; a luncheon with community leaders in Havelock, N.C.; a tour of the Naval Air Depot at MCAS Cherry Point, N.C.; a stop by Marine Air Support Squadron-1 to present a Purple Heart to Cpl. Adam M. Youngman, and a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with Combat Distinguishing Device to Sgt. Shawn R. Donahue; and participation in a promotion ceremony at Marine Wing Support Squadron-271.

Honoring those lost in Osprey program

Sgt. Christine C. Odom
correspondent

With the help of the Jacksonville community, Dr. Connie Gruber, an educator at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, and the wife of a former MCAS New River pilot, is seeking to honor those Marine Corps aviators who lost their lives in two Osprey accidents in 2000, by naming a Henderson Drive bridge over Mill Creek after Maj. Brooks S. Gruber, her husband.

Major Gruber, who was born and raised in Boston, but called Jacksonville, N.C., home, was one of 19 Marines who died in an Osprey crash on April 8, 2000 in Marana, Ariz. Eight months later in December, four more Marines died in another Osprey accident, this time in Onslow County.

To ensure that the memory of those pilots and aircrew are not forgotten, Gruber and her five-year-old daughter, Brooke, appeared before the Jacksonville City Council on Aug. 4 and appealed to have the bridge adorned with signs reading: "In Memory of Major Brooks S. Gruber, to honor USMC Osprey Pioneers, 2000."

"This memorial bridge will represent a concrete way in which I can continue to teach my daughter about the wonderful man who was her father and the powerful plan that God had for his life," Gruber said. "(He was) a man she knew for the first six months of her life and can only remember through pictures and stories that I share with her."

In support of Gruber's request, Col. Stephen L. Forand, Station commanding officer, and Lt. Col. Ronald S. Culp, Marine Tiltrotor Test and Evaluation Squadron-22 executive officer, spoke to the council on her behalf.

Recognizing that Gruber's involvement in the community personified the ideal Marine Corps squadron member, Forand, of Fall River, Mass., said, "It's more than just an aircraft that makes up a squadron, it's the people who make up the crew and the community they live in. Often, members of a squadron are deeply involved in the local community and (Major) Gruber was one of those."

Sharing the same sentiments as

Forand about his fellow Osprey pilot, Culp described Maj. Gruber as a one-of-a-kind person who had a diverse background, experience and was a top performer in his field. Completely irreplaceable, Maj. Gruber was a talent lost to the Marine Corps, as well as the community.

"It's deserving; the bridge naming is a permanent way to remember 'Chuckie' Gruber and 'to honor the USMC Osprey Pioneers' who were lost," added Culp, from Satellite Beach, Fla.

Pastor Michael Turner, of the First Baptist Church, in a letter to the council wrote, "We knew him to be an unusually dedicated husband, father, Christian and Marine. The term 'Great American' is used a great deal, but in Brooks' case it was absolutely true.

"It would be a fitting tribute not only for him, but also for the other pioneers of the Osprey program, of which Brooks was in many ways a representative."

The City Council unanimously agreed to ask the N.C. Board of Transportation to approve naming the bridge after Maj. Gruber.

"For both military and civilian citizens of Jacksonville, I would like the memorial bridge to represent hope for the future, courage to live dreams, and service to honor community and country," Gruber concluded.



courtesy photo

Major Brooks S. Gruber was one of 19 Marines who died in the first Osprey crash on April 8, 2000.

Participants of combat operations may receive CAR

Gunnery Sgt. Keith A. Milks
contributor

The Commander of U.S. Naval Forces Central Command and the U.S. Fifth Fleet recently approved the Combat Action Ribbon for Marines and Sailors of the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) who participated in combat operations in south-central Afghanistan from March 25 through

July 10, 2004.
In a letter authorizing the award, Navy Vice Adm. David C. Nichols Jr. congratulated the MEU (SOC) on its service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.
During 14 weeks of combat and civil military operations, more than 100 Taliban and anti-coalition militia fighters were killed and a similar number taken prisoner.
Additionally, the MEU provided

security for the registration of nearly 60 thousand Afghan voters, confiscated more than 2,500 weapons and 80 thousand pieces of ammunition or ordnance and initiated 108 civil affairs projects.
The CAR was established Feb. 17, 1969 by then-Secretary of the Navy, John H. Chafee, and awarded to members of the Marine Corps, Navy and Coast Guard in the grade of colonel and below who actively participate in ground or surface Naval combat.

Originally, it was awarded for combat service after March 1, 1961, but in 1999, the Annual Defense Authorization Bill authorized the Secretary of the Navy to retroactively award the CAR to combat veterans for service dating back to Dec. 6, 1941.
The CAR is a ribbon-only award and worn after the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal and before

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Decide to ride, accept the risk

Naval Safety Center
contributor

When people decide to ride a motorcycle, they select a unique and challenging form of transportation. However, riding is not for everyone, and a motorcycle will not always be your best choice of transportation.

For many, motorcycling is more than a means of transportation -- it is an enthusiast's sport. The attraction of motorcycling often comes from the unique mental and physical skills necessary to operate the machine. There are many varieties of motorcycles and motorcyclists. But all motorcyclists share something in common -- an increased element of physical risk.

The first step in making a responsible decision to ride is understanding the high level of risk in motorcycling. We can lower the risk through our attitudes, with the protective gear we wear, and developing mental and physical strategies through training. But even so, the motorcyclist is physically vulnerable in a mishap. You are 20 times more likely to be injured on a motorcycle than in a car.

Many different types of people ride motorcycles, and for many reasons -- recreation, commuting, touring, image, sport riding, and competition.

There are also a wide variety of

motorcycles - cruisers, touring, sport bikes, dual purpose, and standard. Since it is not feasible for one type of motorcycle to meet all the needs of every rider, each of these represents a compromise between performance, rider comfort and other capabilities within intended use.

Often there is a connection between the rider, riding style and type of motorcycle. The young service member may be attracted to a motorcycle's price versus the high level of performance. Others may be attracted to the cruiser with its black-leather-jacket mystique, as a break from life's routine.

Motorcycle touring, either solo or with a group, may be both a recreational and social activity.

Riding a motorcycle requires a higher level of acquired physical and mental skills. Research tells us, "more than half of all motorcycle accidents involve riders with less than five

months experience. More than 90 percent of the riders involved in accidents are self-taught."

Motorcycling is an activity with a high level of risk. Once recognized, the first step in lowering risk is to prepare our minds, our body, and our motorcycle.

The second step in risk management is knowing the limits of the rider, motorcycle, environment and law. We come to understand the changing nature of these limits and their impact on the risk we accept. Finally, our attitude provides the basis for using this knowledge effectively. We understand the risk, know the limits, and ride

within these limits, using our mental strategies. Sometimes this means deciding not to ride.

Evaluate yourself based on how you would answer each of the following questions and some of the stated answers.

"Am I willing to accept the

responsibility to develop the skills?"

Studies indicate that in crashes, motorcycle riders and passengers are more likely to be seriously injured or killed than automobile operators or passengers. Injury can often be avoided by wearing protective gear.

"What are the consequences in increased vulnerability to my work, family, others?"

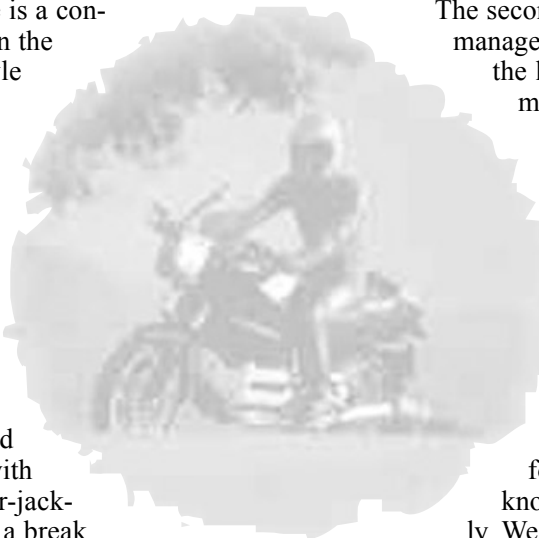
Many motorcycle crashes are single-vehicle accidents. Crashes with other vehicles also occur because either or both drivers make errors in judgment. Injury can often be avoided by knowing when and how to swerve and brake.

"Why is a motorcyclist's judgment potentially more critical than a car driver's?"

"What are the perfect times to ride?"

"When might motorcycling not be my best choice of transportation (especially if there is not an alternate mode of transportation)?"

There are many reasons for wanting to ride a motorcycle - and there are motorcycles and riding styles for almost everyone. But the prime consideration in deciding to ride is a decision to accept the risk inherent to motorcycling. This risk can be lowered. But motorcycling is still a high-risk activity.



Seatbelt policies have a purpose

Lance Cpl. Steven R. Sawyer
correspondent

Failure to wear seatbelts has become a major focus of attention of many Marine Corps officials recently, due to the number of deaths caused by not using them or misusing them.

"Motor vehicle deaths have accounted for 32 fatalities (in the Marine Corps) so far this year," said Marie L. Silence, a safety and occupation health specialist for the Station. "That's 46 percent of all on-duty and off-duty fatalities, excluding combat related deaths.

"Of the 32 deaths this year, two were pedestrians and five were motorcycle. The remaining were four-wheel motor vehicle deaths. Forty-three percent were not wearing seatbelts. About half of these personnel would probably be alive today had they had their seatbelts properly secured.

"Over the last five years, motor vehicle deaths accounted for 52 percent of off-duty and on-duty

fatalities; almost half were not wearing seatbelts."

Though many have complained that seatbelts are useless and ineffective, statistics don't lie.

"There has been plenty of statistical data collected on the saving of lives from wearing seatbelts," said Col. Stephen L. Forand, Station commanding officer. "More importantly, ask just about anyone who has had to slam on their brakes to avoid an accident. See if they remember that belt holding them in place as the car suddenly decelerated.

"Although seatbelts will not protect everyone in all cases, if they are not worn then the chances of injury increase."

Seatbelts are placed in vehicles with the intention of saving lives, said Lance Cpl. John L. Lopez, a traffic court liaison for Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron and native of Houston.

To combat what is accurately referred to as a "growing concern" in various reports and news releases, several orders and directives have been enacted on multiple levels, from Headquarters

Marine Corps down.

Per Marine Corps Order 5100.19E, chapter two, "Minimum penalties for failure to wear seatbelts on a Marine Corps installation will be: for the first violation, a one-week suspension of driving privileges plus attendance at a Saturday four-hour remedial driving class focused on safety belts; for the second violation, a one-month suspension of driving privileges; for the third violation, a six-month suspension of driving privileges."

Marine Corps Air Station Order 5100.12G, Motor Vehicle and Traffic Regulations, states, "Operating or riding in a motor vehicle without a properly fastened seatbelt is prohibited," and covers regulations concerning seat belt usage on Station.

"We aren't out to get people. It is a safety measure taken to save lives and prevent injuries," said Lopez.

However, there are strict penalties for failure to

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the Presidential Unit Citation. In the center of the ribbon is a white vertical stripe. On either side of the white stripe, from the right of the wearer's perspective are blue, yellow and red vertical stripes. The blue is always displayed to the wearer's right.

"I can't tell you how tremendously proud I am of each and everyone one of you," said Col. Kenneth F. McKenzie Jr., the MEU's commander, in a video address to the unit. "Whether you were a rifleman, a cook, an aviator or a mechanic. Everybody was absolutely critical to our success."

"This is one of the few times in the modern history of the Marine Corps where a Marine Expeditionary Unit was able to fight as a complete air-ground task force, and we demonstrated that when we are allowed to do that we can generate overwhelming combat power against the enemies of democracy," he added.

In coming weeks, recipients of the CAR from the unit's time in Afghanistan will be listed on a database accessible at <https://lnweb1.manpower.usmc.mil/manpower/mm/mmma/AwardsVerification.nsf/search>.

The 22nd MEU (SOC) consists of its Command Element, Battalion Landing Team 1st Bn., 6th Marines, Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-266 (Reinforced), and MEU Service Support Group-22.

'Untouchable' in touch with family



Lance Cpl. Jonathan A. Tabb

Corporal Clifford C. Dean, a motor transport mechanic from Cincinnati, returns with the advance party from Marine Wing Support Squadron-272 on Aug. 18. Dean held his two-year-old daughter, Lillyn, for the first time since the seven-month deployment in Iraq.

Court-Martial

A corporal from Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron-29 was charged and found guilty at a special court-martial Aug. 4 for: six specifications of Article 80, attempt; two specifications of Article 81, conspiracy; one specification of Article 107, false official statement; one specification of Article 121; larceny; one specification of Article 130, unlawful entry; and one specification of Article 134, obstructing justice.

Punishment: Bad conduct discharge, 36 months confinement, total forfeiture of pay and reduction to E-1.

Voter Awareness

Marines make your opinion count!

According to ALMAR 044/04, signed Aug. 11, when the polls open on Nov. 2, registered voters have the opportunity to let their voice be heard by exercising their right to vote. Voting is a right that defines our nation as a democracy, but it is a right that is too often taken for granted. The time is fast approaching for those of us defending our country to exercise our right to vote. I encourage all eligible Marines, family members and civilian

Marines to exercise this right of citizenship.

To vote, you must be registered. To register if deployed or residing outside your state of residency, you must complete a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA). All eligible voters outside the United States should send a completed FPCA to your state election officials by Aug. 15. If you are stateside, you have until Sept. 15. If you need an FPCA or assistance in completing one, contact your unit voting assistance officer today.

I encourage everyone to learn how to exercise their right to vote by accessing the Marine Corps Web site at www.usmc.mil, select the voting link, and the site offers information on topics such as how to register, how to obtain your absentee ballot, how to complete the FPCA, and how to contact and obtain information on the candidates.

Semper Fidelis,
Gen. Michael W. Hagee
U.S. Marine Corps
Commandant of the Marine Corps

New River home to 'Family of the Year'

Sgt. Andrew W. Miller
correspondent

New River's very own Quinn family-- Paul, Laura and Cortney-- was named "Family of the Year" at the Special Olympics North Carolina 2004 Awards Banquet held in Raleigh, N.C. on July 31.

They have been involved with Special Olympics for more than 25 years, and for them, the work quickly became a family affair, according to the award warrant.

"As parents of an athlete, Paul and Laura have devoted their time and energy to making Special Olympics Onslow County the best it can be," stated the warrant. Laura coaches basketball, bowling and swimming, and serves as the local public relations coordinator. Paul serves on the Special Olympics North Carolina Board of Directors and Sport Development Team. He has also coached basketball for the last four years.

The Quinn's daughter, Cortney, who has a hearing impairment, is instrumental and proactive in the events. She is active

in cycling, and at the Onslow County Fall Games, delivered the athlete's oath in sign language.

Although this family has been honored for their efforts in supporting these organizations, Quinn gives due credit to the Station for its support as well.

"New River plays an important role in the success of the local and regional programs," he said. "Special Olympics has used the Station for training in basketball, bowling and cycling for the past four years. The Station has also hosted the Fall Games at the fitness center for the past three years."

At these events, both Marines and Sailors volunteered their time to help out with coaching and officiating.

According to the Special Olympics North Carolina Web site, the program offers year-round sports training and competition for nearly 37,000 children and adults with mental retardation or a closely related developmental disability. This is the largest program in North America and the fifth largest in the world in terms of participating athletes.



courtesy photo

The director of New River's Marine Corps Community Services, Paul Quinn (left), poses with his daughter, Cortney (center), his wife, Laura, and the president of Special Olympics North Carolina, Keith L. Fishburne, after receiving the 'Family of the Year' award on July 31. The banquet was held in Raleigh, N.C.

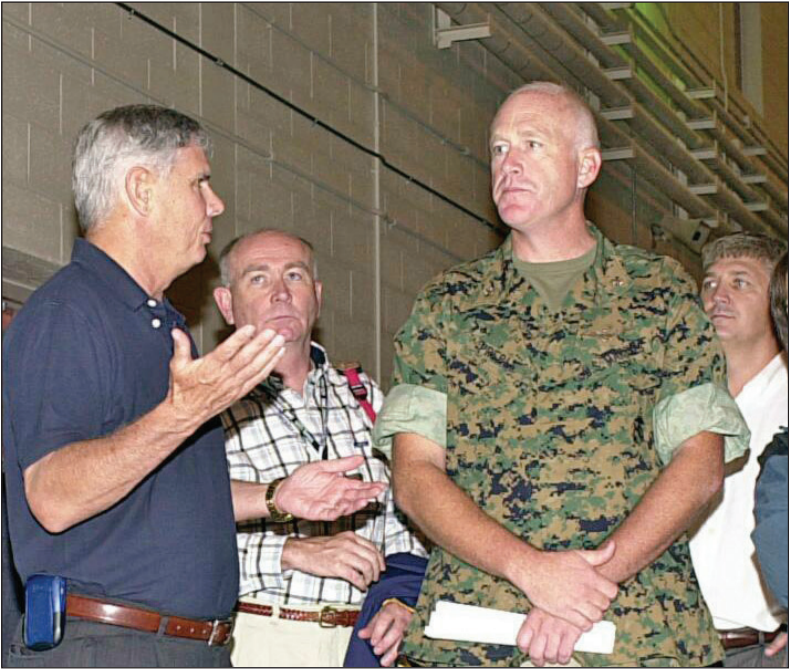
Delegate gets congressional treatment at the Air Station



Lance Cpl. Michael Angelo

Dan Hilton, a congressional staff delegate of Rep. Walter Jones Jr., and Col. Stephen L. Forand, Station commanding officer, tour Marine Aircrew Training Systems Squadron after flying in the Osprey simulator Aug. 19. Hilton also viewed a static display of the Osprey at Marine Tiltrotor Test and Evaluation Squadron-22.

General officer equivalents tour MATSS



Lance Cpl. Jonathan A. Tabb

Lieutenant Col. Richard B. Preble (front right), director of Marine Aircrew Training Systems Squadron and Milan, Ind., native, speak with three civilian representatives from the Office of the Secretary of the Defense during a tour of the training programs used at MATSS simulators Aug. 13. The representatives are equivalent to general officers and were given the star treatment during their visit.

'See more' of Seymour, VMX-22 chief test director

Sgt. Christine C. Odom
correspondent

As the chief operational test director of New River Marine Tiltrotor Test and Evaluation Squadron-22, Lt. Col. Christopher C. Seymour is responsible for planning, budgeting, executing and reporting all operational testing of tiltrotor-related systems for the Marine Corps.

It's a large responsibility for one Marine, but according to Seymour, the responsibility does not compare to the amount of experience he will acquire through the operational testing of this revolutionary aircraft, known as the Osprey.

"(Seymour) has a challenging task to be the first chief operational test director for this new squadron, but he's done well to define the job, and plan and execute the squadron's first operational test period," said Lt. Col. Paul Rock, VMX-22 aircraft maintenance officer from the local Jacksonville, N.C., area. "He is a 'straight-shooter,' who is a great asset to the squadron and the Marine Corps."

Seymour began his affiliation with the military while at the University of Louisiana; he was in the USMC Platoon Leaders Class program of 1988. After graduating with a Bachelor of Science Degree in mechanical engineering, the Houston native began his career in the Corps.

After Seymour was winged in 1990, his assignment took him to Marine Helicopter Training Squadron-301 at Marine Corps Air Station Tustin, Calif., where he participated in the replacement aircrew training of the CH-46E Sea Knight.

During a tour with the "Knightriders" of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-164, he accumulated over 1,800 hours in the "Phrog" and served as the squadron logistics, flightline, quality assurance and

assistant operation officer. In addition, Seymour was also designated the "Knightriders" weapons tactics instructor, night-vision goggles instructor, mission commander and maintenance functional check pilot.

Throughout his six years at Tustin, the "Knightriders" pilot deployed twice with the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit and the 11th MEU. He participated in Operations Desert Storm in the Persian Gulf, Desert Watch in Kuwait, Restore Hope in Somalia and Infinite Moonlight in Jordan.

In April 1996, Seymour was selected to attend Naval Test Pilot School at Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Md. While at TPS, he flew multiple training test scenarios in many aircraft.

Upon graduation, he stayed at Patuxent River and was assigned as a test pilot on the MV-22 Integrated Test Team where he was first introduced to the Osprey. Additionally, Seymour took on the billet of project pilot on the T-6 Texan II Joint Primary Aircraft Training System program in Wichita, Kan.

Major Paul P. Ryan, VMX-22 maintenance officer, served with Seymour while at Patuxent River. He maintained that Seymour's dedication and commitment to the work he's assigned echoes the same kind of leadership he has observed at their current squadron.

"His day to day actions exemplify his commitment and discipline," added Ryan, who calls Prescott, Ariz., home.

At the MV-22 ITT, Seymour was responsible for high-altitude, hover performance, NVG and head-up display testing, aerial refueling, and initial sea trials. He reached a significant point in his Marine Corps career as an instructor and a standardization pilot.

"I was designated with the first Marine MV-22 (military occupational specialty), and in 1999, I received the Navy-Marine Corps Test Pilot of the



Sgt. Christine C. Odom

Lieutenant Col. Christopher C. Seymour of Houston, conducts a routine inspection of the cockpit of an Osprey before flying.

Year award," he said.

The following year in June, Seymour transferred to Edward Air Force Base in California as the Marine Corps operational test director for the CV-22 and the Marine Helicopter Squadron-1 Detachment officer-in-charge. This time his duty was to support the HMX-1 test requirements of the CV-22 tiltrotor aircraft for potential Marine Corps acquisition and deployment.

Unfortunately, operational test flights of the Osprey were cut short after fatal accidents resulted in the grounding of the aircraft.

In December 2001, Seymour was reassigned to Headquarters Marine Corps to be the requirements officer for the deputy commandant of aviation. This position made him accountable for the Joint Operational Requirements Document, the restructure of the spiral-developmental program, and subsequently the return to fly initiative, following the two-year grounding period.

Upon the Osprey's return to flight, VMX-22 was activated Aug. 28, 2003, and the squadron began the experimental test and evaluation phase of the aircraft.

"(Seymour) is bound and determined to deliver to the (Fleet Marine Force), in a timely fashion, the very best assault support aircraft the world has ever known," concluded Ryan.



Sgt. Christine C. Odom

Seymour is the chief operational test director for Marine Tiltrotor Test and Evaluation Squadron-22 and an Osprey pilot. He is responsible for planning, budgeting, executing and reporting all operational testing of tiltrotor-related systems for the Marine Corps.

Book review: ‘Pastwatch ...’

Lance Cpl. Steven R. Sawyer
correspondent

Have you ever asked the question, "What if?" Chances are you have.

It may have been any number of things you were wondering about, such as "What if you hadn't joined the armed forces" or "What if the sky was green."

This is exactly what Orson Scott Card has done in his most recent novel, "Pastwatch: the Redemption of Christopher Columbus." The question he raises is, "What if Columbus hadn't discovered the Americas when he did," and holding true to his writing abilities, he makes the alternate reality very real.

The scenario is simple. War has nearly destroyed the world, and in its wake mankind begins to rebuild. As technology improves, the ability to look back in time is discovered, and with this newfound gift, we become able to watch and learn from history like never before.

An organization is created and devoted to the study of the past, hence the name 'Pastwatch.'

In their search for the truth about what happened in ages past, the 'watchers' begin to realize that certain people and events affected the world in very big ways. One such event was Columbus' discovering America.

Many of their brightest minds begin to hypothesize that if Columbus hadn't sailed west and discovered the continents of the Americas, which led to

the death and enslavement of many native cultures, then maybe the world would have had a better chance at peace.

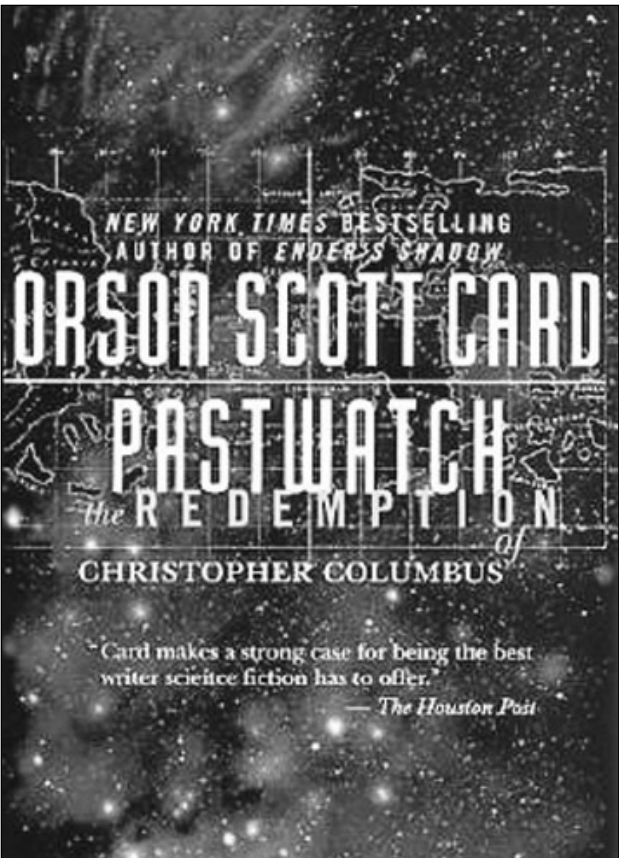
The Pastwatch program faces it's biggest challenge when several of the watchers are "noticed," but for some, this challenge is more of a moral one than a technical one, as many begin to question the true mission of the program. If you know the past and have the ability to change it, should you?

Card works his magic as he blends the past with the present, creating the life of Columbus in such scale and realism that the reader feels they are sailing with him, while making the future a very real possibility.

The book is a history lesson and an eye opener all in one. The reader gets a look at Columbus' life, from his birth to his death, but also gets to see the "might have beens," and what the world may have faced had the civilizations in the Americas grown un-impeded by European involvement, as well as how things could have been had Columbus turned his attention to the east, toward the Spanish/Muslim conflicts of his era.

A large portion of the book focuses on the consequences of "playing god," or making decisions with others' lives that hold innumerable outcomes. Card does his best to present the many ways decisions can affect our lives and what may result.

Try the book. It's interesting, the history is enjoyable and involving, and you can get a real look at "what might have been." It's one of my personal favorites.



"Pastwatch: the Redemption of Christopher Columbus" is a 402-page book about what might have happened if Columbus hadn't discovered the Americas.

Roto View

What do you think of President Bush and Sen. Kerry relying on their military background for their campaign ?



"I don't think they need to bring up their past like that. What's important is the future and what they plan to do."

Cpl. Ron A. Sykes,
maintenance management system clerk,
Marine Aircraft Group-26,
Seattle



"It is a good way to judge their character, but it doesn't tell us how they plan on running the country. It is kind of irrelevant to politics."

Lance Cpl. Miriam N. Wetzel,
air traffic controller,
Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron,
Georgetown, Washington D.C.

"I think the service they each served in says a lot about their character, but there is a lot more to their campaigns than just their military past."

Sgt. Brandon D. Richardson,
instructor,
School of Infantry,
Kyle, Texas



"I think it is important for them to have a solid background like that, but I don't think they should base their entire campaign on it. Kerry's career as a politician is not very thorough so he relies on his military background as the highlight of his life."

Cpl. Clinton M. Carroll,
finance clerk,
Marine Aircraft Group-29,
Corpus Christi, Texas



New River gets best mess of the quarter

John Negron, Messhall AS-4012 manager, and Master Sgt. Tyrone B. Hill, Marine liaison, display the award for Messhall of the Quarter in front of military and civilian messhall personnel Aug. 12. For two consecutive quarters, the New River messhall has received this award. It was presented by Col. William A. Meier, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C., chief of staff.



Lance Cpl. Steven R. Sawyer

SEATBELT

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follow regulations concerning seatbelt usage.

"When Marines go before traffic court judges or magistrates, punishment should be consistent with the orders," said Sgt. Maj. Lewis L. Summerville, Station sergeant major from Huntsville, Ala. "No lenience should be shown. As traffic court magistrate for enlisted personnel, I can assure you that it will be strictly enforced."

Aboard the Station, this strict enforcement has had positive effects.

"Right now, the number of violations on Station has decreased. We're consistently showing 95 percent or better for usage. However, this is still unac-

ceptable," Summerville said.

Seatbelt use is just one part of practicing operational risk management.

Silence explained, "Most personal motor vehicle accidents occur at night (67 percent); most often on weekends (62 percent); at excessive speed (36 percent); and include alcohol use (31 percent).

"Considering the lack of judgment by excessive speeding and/or using alcohol, 43 percent of these Marines place themselves and others into unnecessary danger by not buckling up. If we're going to play the odds, we need to use all the safety equipment that is available to us."

The statistics and figures are not all that are behind the orders. Concern also drives many to push for seatbelts to be used.

"I feel using seatbelts is completely necessary by all," said Summerville. "As a father of two, seatbelts are used consistently. I expect no less of my Marines.

"Seatbelt use by all Marines and their family members aboard Marine Corps installations is a must, and I can assure you it will be enforced."

Forand concluded, "If you forget to put on your seatbelt because you are in a big hurry, then maybe you should not be driving in the first place. Your mind is obviously on everything except being behind the wheel of the car. You are about to take a 5000-pound vehicle, accelerate it to some speed and maneuver it in close proximity with other vehicles on a narrow strip of concrete. Think about it. Your life and those around you depend upon it."



Hours
Saturday (Sept. 18) 12 - 5 p.m.
Sunday (Sept. 19) 12 - 5 p.m.
Gates open at 9 a.m.

2004 'Sounds of Freedom' Air Show

Civilian performers

RotoVue Staff

"Pardon the noise, it's the 'Sound of Freedom.'"

Marine Corps Air Station New River is hosting the 2004 "Sounds of Freedom" Open House and Air Show scheduled Sept. 18 and 19. The event is free and open to the public as well as to military and civilian employees.

There will be aviators performing precision flight routines in various aircraft, a display of aircraft and equipment, and concessions.

Bobby Younkin will perform one-of-a-kind acts in a Lear 23 that dazzles audiences. This particular aircraft is not intended for air-show flying, but Younkin will conduct a full aerobatic routine in his Lear, using the jet's maneuverability and climb to keep the action tight, fast paced and close to the crowd. The sleek, red and black jet reaches 400 mph and soars 6,500 feet above the earth during Younkin's performance.

Jim LeRoy, who is considered by many as the premier solo act in the business today, has pushed aerobatic flying to a new and unsurpassed level. With a routine full of signature maneuvers and heart stopping surprises, LeRoy redefines the limits with explosive, non-stop action from start to finish.

Les Shockley's Shockwave Jet Truck reaches speeds in excess of 300 mph. Shockley holds the world record in a quarter mile for trucks at 256 mph in just 6.36 seconds. He also holds the world record for full-size trucks at 376 mph as recorded by the Guinness Book of World Records.

The Masters of Disaster multi-plane versus jet-truck experience includes fire, smoke, explosions, radical close calls and near misses all performed to an awesome soundtrack.

Red Baron Pizza Squadron pilots pay tribute to the early barnstorming days of aviation, performing many of the same maneuvers in their open cockpit Stearman

biplanes.

Steve Coan's Sailplane Aerobatics bring to the air show arena aerobatic skills unparalleled in the history of sailplane aerobatics. Coan has been honored by the National Aeronautic Association as a five-time U.S. sailplane aerobatic champion in the unlimited class, Bronze Medalist in the World Aerobatic Championships in Poland and three-time world speed record holder in sailplanes.

Hubie Tolson, born in New Bern, N.C., has been performing aerobatic flying since he was 17 years old. Tolson rolls, loops and thrills the crowds while flying his Russian built, single seat Sukhoi SU 26 M2.

The Skytypers Air Show Team is a squadron of six World War II airplanes. Operating the venerated North American SNJ-2, the Skytypers fly at 10,000 ft in an impressive formation, emitting biodegradable vapor "puffs" in a dot-matrix pattern. An onboard computer that controls the sequencing of the vapor to form the letters in the sky regulates these puffs.

Dale Snodgrass was the first flight school graduate selected to fly Tomcats, as well as the first non-fleet pilot to carrier-qualify in the Tomcat. In 1986, he earned the distinction of being selected both Fighter Pilot of the Year and the "Top Cat" of the Year. This Desert Storm veteran has accumulated more than 8,000 of flight time, including 4,800 hours in the Tomcat and more than 1,200 carrier arrested landings.

Editors Note: This is the second of a four part series of articles about the upcoming 2004 "Sounds of Freedom" Open House and Air Show. In our next issue on Sept. 8, there will be information about what to bring, where to park and more.

Information line: (910) 449-4173

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John Gunn's sports highlights

Marine-gridder Ralph Heywood honored at Canton, Ohio

Retired Marine Col. Ralph Heywood has the distinction of being the only three-time war veteran also to have played pro football.

Looking distinguished in a black jacket and cowboy hat, Heywood had the honor of delivering the game ball to the field for the kick-off of the Denver Broncos/Washington Redskins pre-season National Football League game at Canton, Ohio on Aug. 9. The Redskins won the Hall of Fame battle, 20 - 17, the American Forces Press Service reported.

At 6 feet, 2 inches and 203 pound 1943 All-American end on offense and defense and punter for the University of Southern California, Heywood came into the Marine Corps the same year to fight in World War II. He entered a program that allowed him to stay in school while learning the military basics.

During World War II, the V-12 program was initiated to meet the increased need for Navy and Marine officers. The program allowed officer candidates to attend civilian schools

while in an enlisted status in the Navy or Marine Corps.

In 1943, Heywood helped USC to an 8 - 2 record. His Trojans beat Washington, 29 - 0, in the Rose Bowl.

But Heywood was shipped off to the war before he had a chance to graduate. A decorated career officer, he fought in three campaigns in the Pacific theater while aboard the USS Iowa, said AFPS. He was discharged from active duty in 1946.

When he returned from the war, Heywood talked to USC regarding completing his remaining requirements for graduation. He was eight units short of graduating, so the university awarded him 10 units in military science, based on his service.

Drafted by the Detroit Lions in the third round of 1944, he played for El Toro in 1945. He was then signed by the Chicago Rockets, an All-America Football Conference team, and then moved to the NFL's Detroit Lions in 1947. The Boston Yanks picked him during the 1948 season before they became the New York Bulldogs in 1949.

During his four-year pro football career, Heywood played end and

punter. In 14 games with Chicago, he caught 20 passes for 287 yards and four touchdowns. In 34 games with Detroit, Boston and New York, he caught 64 passes for 905 yards and 6 touchdowns, averaged 37.3 yards on 66 punts and recovered three fumbles for TDs.

Heywood was recalled for active duty in the Korean War. He played for Quantico in 1952 and coached the 3rd Marines in 1954 and Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego in 1955.

He also fought in the Vietnam War, taking command of the 26th Marine Regiment in the Republic of Vietnam, AFPS said.

When he finally left the military for good after 32 years, he became the commandant of cadets at the Marine Military Academy in Texas.

Currently living with his wife, Suzie, and their horses and dogs in Bandera, Texas, Heywood said he has often compared characteristics of life on the gridiron to life on the battlefield.

"I've used that analogy many times," he said.

The recognition was the Deacon's doing. After visiting troops in Iraq and at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, pro football hall-of-

famer David "Deacon" Jones looked to his football past to bolster the service members' morale. The result was a trip to Canton, Ohio, for the 2004 Hall of Fame weekend and game for four Purple Heart recipients.

"(Jones) worked it all out," said Marine Lance Cpl. Kevin Rumley, of Fairfax, Va.

Rumley, Marine Lance Cpl. Christopher Johnson, Army Staff Sgt. Thomas Gillis and former Army Pfc. Alan Lewis were introduced to the crowd gathered at Fawcett Stadium on Aug. 8 for the 2004 Hall of Fame Enshrinement Ceremony, said the AFPS.

The ceremony also honored Heywood. It was one of the weekend's highlights, which included a private dinner with hall-of-famers, recognition luncheon Aug. 9 and player autographs.

Gunn is a member of the Marine Corps Combat Correspondents Assn., 2nd Marine Division Assn., Marine Corps Intelligence Assn., Marine Corps Aviation Assn., Marine Corps Heritage Foundation and Naval Aviation Museum Foundation.

Special-needs athletes gear up for T-ball

Cindy L. Billet, a rehabilitation technician from Jacksonville, N.C., and Rodney Hughs, from Hubert, N.C., practice swinging at the T-ball during a game held at the Station Youth Sports Fields on Friday. The teeball game is an annual event sponsored by Coca-Cola to honor the Special Olympic athletes of the Jacksonville area.



Lance Cpl. Michael Angelo

Exceptional athletes use talent at Special Olympics



Lance Cpl. Noah Dunagan

Special needs athletes receive certificates and medals for their participation in this year's Special Olympics Onslow County Athlete Appreciation/Information Fair held Saturday at Phillips Park on Highway 17. The athletes were awarded for placing in each of the events and approximately nine athletes were recognized.



Lance Cpl. Sarah A. Beavers

Corporal Renato Pinto, 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable), loosens a nut on the transmission pylon of an AH-1W Super Cobra helicopter at Forward Operating Base Kalsu, Iraq. Pinto is a flightline mechanic from Altamonte Springs, Fla., and is assigned to the "Thunder Chickens" of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-263, the aviation combat element of the 24th MEU. The MEU is currently conducting security and stability operations in the Northern Babil province of Iraq.

Mechanics keep 'Thunder Chickens' flying

Lance Cpl. Sarah A. Beavers
contributor

FORWARD OPERATING BASE KALSU, Iraq -- The thundering rhythm of a helicopter's rotor blades reveals little about the effort it takes to get such a complicated machine off the ground.

Yet, behind every modern marvel in the inventory of the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit's aviation combat element, there is a Marine mechanic ensuring the aircraft will be capable of accomplishing its missions.

"Our different shops come together to form one big team," said Cpl. Renato Pinto, a native of Altamonte Springs, Fla., and flightline mechanic with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-263. "The flightline mechanics do all of the hard wrench-turning. We (perform) all the inspections, taxi and launch the (aircraft). But we also have specialists for (work like) the airframes and electric wiring."

Each mechanic can expect no less than a 12-hour work day, combating a number of different complications in operational performance, some of which have become prevalent in the Iraqi environ-

ment.

"One of the main problems we have is getting sand in the engines," said Pinto. "Since it causes erosion, we have to wash the aircraft and engine every four to seven days."

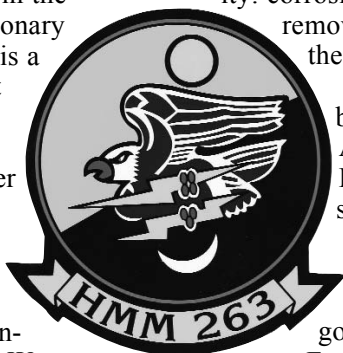
But there's one thing the mechanics don't have to worry about thanks to the desert's lack of humidity: corrosion. This avoids hours of time spent removing the substance from vital areas of the aircraft.

Although the work requires him to be meticulous, for Lance Cpl. Scott Atwood, a flight line mechanic from Bridgewater, Mass., this deployment is something he'll always have.

"Twenty years down the line, you won't be talking about college," said Atwood. "This is something you're going to remember."

For others who volunteered to return to participate in Operation Iraqi Freedom II and III, the opportunity to be involved in real-world combat is all the gratification they need.

"There's no experience like working on an aircraft in the field," said Pinto. "The missions we do here are real. This (opportunity) is what we've trained for."



MEU Marines master the ropes

Cpl. Eric R. Martin
contributor

MARINE CORPS BASE CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. - Approximately 20 Marines, who will support the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit's Maritime Special Purpose Force, attended the Helicopter Rope Suspension Training Master course aboard Camp Lejeune from Aug. 2 - 13.

The purpose of the course was to certify the Marines from various elements of the MEU as HRST Masters. The tactics taught during the course enable the MEU to conduct day and night rope-assisted assaults from Marine Corps helicopters.

Instructors, who taught the techniques, were from II Marine Expeditionary Force's Special Operations Training Group. They divided the training into air and ground phases, and included tower rigging, rappelling, aircraft rigging, helicopter fast roping and special purpose insertion/extraction rigging.

The MSPF commonly uses fast roping and SPIE rigging techniques for quick insertion and extraction into and out of remote locations on the battlefield.



Cpl. Eric R. Martin

Special Operations Training Group instructors perform a tie-off demonstration for a group of Marines during the Helicopter Rope Suspension Training Master Course aboard Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C., on August 4. Several Marines from the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit took part in the course in preparation for the unit's deployment in March 2005.

A cause bigger than self

Cmdr. Henry W. Hensley
Station Chaplain

What most Westerners need to be saved from today isn't dread of death or a crippling sense of guilt, it's the gnawing suspicion that humans may be purposeless things, a species just as accidental as all others -- equipped ironically enough, with all the attributes necessary to purposeful living, but in the end: random, arbitrary and superfluous.

The reason I write this article is because it is people like me who have benefited most with the least amount of cost in regard to freedom and liberty. It is we who need to say thank you to those who have given their all for a cause that was greater than their own lives. We must say thank you to those of you who have paid the price, whether in the loss of a son, daughter, spouse, brother or sister. We must say thank you to those who are currently serving in the military and have expressed their willingness to do the same. And then, we must extend our thanks to God for those unable to, who are no longer with us because they themselves paid the ultimate price, giving up their lives at the request of their country. It is they who are the real heroes. We should honor them.

But what I would really like to say today is on behalf of those who are unable to make speeches. I speak out now for the silent dead. I am afraid to say it, yet confident that those who have paid with their lives demand it be said.

My main point is this: we must once again believe in, and be willing to die for, a cause that is bigger than ourselves as our Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmen of the past once did.

Why do I feel compelled to write this? Because what I have seen in our land in my short life and from what I have learned from studying our nation's history is that we have taken a dramatic shift away from such a belief. A belief that the whole is more important than the parts has been abandoned and replaced with "individualism." I see a people whose main motivation seems to be, "What's in it for me?" or "If it has no benefit to me and mine, then count me out."

I've spoken with many people in different branches of the military and asked them all the same question, "Why did you join the military?" Many young people responded to that question by telling me that they joined up to earn money for college or because they had nothing better to do. Only a few individuals told me that they joined the military in order to protect our homeland and our way of life. As a result of 9/11 there were many patriotic individuals who joined our ranks in their desire to protect our nation, but these individuals are a minority.

Our own advertisement has betrayed us. We now send a message in our recruitment commercials that portray the message that you should join the military for personal benefit rather than for the good of your country.

It seems to me to their intended message, which is directed to a generation raised on MTV, is to aggrandize self in order to promote military service. The intended response is to convince us that the lone soldier can take on the world by himself. They also advertise the idea that you should join the military so that we can have fun with high-tech gadgets and show off our own individual strengths. It's all about me! You can be "An Army of One." You don't need anyone's help or cooperation because we put the "I" back in "TEAM."

In the past this was not the prevalent attitude; people joined the military in order to be part of something that they believed in with all their hearts and were willing to die for. Ideas like freedom, justice and liberty were all the advertisement necessary needed to recruit young people for military service. Sadly, today these concepts are not enough to attract most young people.

What we need is a new revival in the virtues of the past and an appreciation in our nation's heritage. People must believe with confidence that there are still noble and virtuous causes today that are worth giving your life to and, if necessary, dying for. People must be taught that in order to find your purpose in life you must give up your selfish ambitions and your petty desires and contribute to the common good of all. If you want to find your destiny and make use of all your God given talents, if you want to reach your full potential in life, you will only find it in serving others.

New Services and Options at Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune

by Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C., Naval Hospital Public Affairs Office

To assist you and your primary care manager team, Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune has established a new Health Services Center and new Central Appointments Office. The hospital offers a variety of options to better serve servicemembers and their families. Patients can:

Visit the Camp Lejeune Reception Center building 59 or call (877) 874-2273 Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The staff can assist with new enrollments, primary-care-manager-change requests, and TRICARE benefit, questions and claims issues. Servicemembers and their families will be provided with the name and location of their PCM team when they check in at the Reception Center. The staff will also review the patients

health history and enter key information in their computerized medical record system so the PCM team has this available whenever the patient visits. Children under six must have their immunization records.

Call the PCM Clinic -- During regular business hours, servicemembers can call their Primary Care Manager Clinic. They will provide personalized advice and services, and should be your first stop for questions, complex issues or booking specialized visits. The team nurse may be able to solve some of your issues over the phone without scheduling a provider appointment.

Make an Appointment by calling 450-3230 or toll free at (866) 450-3230. If the problem cannot be solved by phone, patients can make a

regular appointment with their primary care manager team from routine, chronic or preventive appointments to ensure continuity in care. For acute problems, the staff will get patients in quickly to one of their PCM team providers.

Use your Healthwise Handbook, Take Care of Yourself/Your Child or WebMD -- Access these resources for family healthcare needs through TRICARE Online.

Call or Visit the Health Services Center Patients can call 450-3230 or toll free at (866) 450-3230. The new HSC is open 24 hours a day, every day, and is located inside the main entrance of the Naval Hospital. No appointment is necessary. Specially trained nurses screen patients on a

walk-in basis to identify the best and quickest way to deal with your medical issues. By using the new HSC, patients will not have to decide whether to call the advice line, the appointment line, the PCM Clinic, or go to the Emergency Room.

Use TRICARE Online -- Book appointments with your PCM through the site, as well as look up medical information using WebMD at www.tricareonline.com.

For Emergencies -- These include life-, limb-, or eyesight-threatening illnesses or trauma., the emergency room is open 24 hours a day, every day. For less urgent problems, please use your PCM Clinic or the Health Services Center, since less urgent problems generally face long waits for care in the ER.

LCTV-10 Schedule



August 26 - September 2

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Wed.	Aug. 26	9 a.m. 7 p.m.	I, Robot King Arthur	PG-13 PG-13	114 min. 126 min.
Fri.	Aug. 27	7 p.m. 9:30 p.m.	Sleepover Anchorman	PG PG-13	90 min. 91 min.
Sat.	Aug. 28	7 p.m. 9:30 p.m.	Sleepover Anchorman	PG PG-13	90 min. 91 min.
Sun.	Aug. 29	3 p.m. 6 p.m.	Sleepover I, Robot	PG PG-13	90 min. 114 min.
Mon.	Aug. 30	7 p.m.	I, Robot	PG-13	114 min.
Wed.	Sept. 1	7 p.m.	Harold and Kumar	R	87 min.
Fri.	Sept. 3	7 p.m. 9:30 p.m.	A Cinderella Story King Arthur	PG-13 PG-13	96 min. 126 min.
Sat.	Sept. 4	7 p.m. 9:30 p.m.	A Cinderella Story King Arthur	PG-13 PG-13	96 min. 126 min.
Sun.	Sept. 5	3 p.m. 6 p.m.	A Cinderella Story Harold and Kumar	PG-13 R	96 min. 87 min.
Mon.	Sept. 6	3 p.m.	A Cinderella Story	PG-13	96 min.



Lance Cpl. Michael Angelo

Michelle Wright (right) sings her first solo for the concert, Aug. 15, with Deborah Allen, and Heather and Jennifer Kinley singing backup.

New River loses sleep over PaJAMa Party Tour



Lance Cpl. Zachary R. Frank

Deborah Allen, who has been in the music business since the '80s, serenades the New River audience with a sultry performance of one of her songs during the concert.

Lance Cpl. Jonathan A. Tabb
correspondent

A free concert was held at the Station Enlisted Club on Aug. 15 from 7:30 until 9:30 p.m., featuring four country music singers.

The "PaJAMa Party Tour" consisted of musical talents Deborah Allen, Michelle Wright and the Kinleys, who are twin sisters Heather and Jennifer, performing an assortment of their music both individually and as a quartet.

The performers said they loved having the opportunity to perform for Marines, Sailors and their family members.

During the concert, Marines were allowed to get on stage and interact with the performers.

"A lot of musicians don't let the audience get too close, explained Allen, but I feel like the safest place in the world to be is around a

bunch of Marines.

"I have been here twice now, and I feel overwhelmed with love for the Marines."

The performers stopped between several songs to talk to the audience, share their thoughts and opinions, recognize a newlywed couple and acknowledge one Marine's birthday.

"I feel so comfortable around all these Marines. Being here has been a humbling experience. We're honored to be able to see what you do on a day-to-day basis," explained Jennifer Kinley, of Nashville, Tenn. "We were able to tour the base and see first hand what (Marines) do."

"We would love to get the opportunity to return to New River," said Wright, who hails from Ontario, Canada.

"There are no words to describe what (the Marines) are doing for the U.S. They're a part of one the most wonderful and self-sacrificing communities in the world," Allen concluded.



Lance Cpl. Zachary R. Frank

Twin sisters, Heather and Jennifer Kinley, wake up the audience with their duet at the PaJAMa Party Tour.